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Application No. 08/760,517

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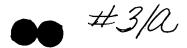
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

- 1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
- 2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Timothy Carlson on 12/2/97.
- 3. The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

- a) In claim 1, line 17, "selected" has been deleted.
- b) In claim 1, line 18, after "that", --is-- has been inserted.
- c) In claim 15, line 1, "clock" has been deleted.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1-20 are allowable because the prior art fails to disclose or suggest a method and corresponding apparatus for recovering phase and frequency clock for an analog video signal that is converted for display on a digital display comprising the combined steps of generating pixel clock pulses, sampling, selecting a pixel component adjacent the edge of the central active video

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region that is horizontally stationary from frame to frame of analog video data and automatically iteratively adjusting the phase of the pixel clock pulses until a pixel clock pulse is centrally registered with the selected pixel component or the combined steps of designating the pixel clock with consecutive numbers, identifying a selected number, iteratively adjusting, identifying a subseries, and identifying a corrected phase as recited in the claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Faulhaber, Onagawa and Kommrusch et al. each disclose a method of recovering a correct phase and frequency for an analog video signal that is converted for digital display.

Parrish et al. disclose a method of synchronizing an incoming video signal pixels with the system clock.

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6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Chris Grant whose telephone number is (703) 305-4755. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00am to 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark Powell, can be reached on (703) 305-9703. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 308-5399.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305 3900.

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December 2, 1997

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The drawings submitted with this application were declared informal by the applicant. Accordingly they have not been reviewed by a draftsperson at this time. When formal drawings are submitted, the draftsperson will perform a review.

Direct any inquires concerning drawing review to the Drawing Review Branch (703) 305-8404.